

571—46.5 (321I) Registration for all-terrain vehicles and off-road motorcycles.

46.5(1) General. A person shall not operate, maintain, or give permission for the operation or maintenance of an all-terrain vehicle or off-road motorcycle on public land, a designated riding area, a designated riding trail, or ice unless the all-terrain vehicle or off-road motorcycle:

- a. Is registered in accordance with the requirements of Iowa Code chapter 321I and this chapter;
- b. Displays a current annual nonresident user permit decal issued as provided in rule 571—46.6(321I); or
- c. Is exempt from registration pursuant to Iowa Code section 321I.9.

46.5(2) Registration requirements.

a. The owner of each all-terrain vehicle or off-road motorcycle required to be registered shall file an application for registration with the department through a county recorder and pay all applicable fees pursuant to Iowa Code section 321I.4 and these rules, except that an all-terrain vehicle dealer shall make application and pay all applicable registration and title fees on behalf of a purchaser of an all-terrain vehicle or off-road motorcycle.

(1) Application forms. The applicant shall use DNR Form 542-8067 in making application for registration. In the event the applicant does not have documentation required by DNR Form 542-8067, the applicant shall use DNR Form 542-8065 and may be required to secure a bond consistent with the requirements of 571—Chapter 50.

(2) Fees. The applicant shall pay the following fees: \$15 for the permit fee; \$1 for the writing fee; and \$1.50 for the administrative fee. In addition, a county recorder may collect an additional 25 cents for the writing fee if the county recorder issues the registration.

b. At such time the department or the county recorder is satisfied with the application and has received the required fees, the department or county recorder shall issue to the applicant a registration certificate and registration decal.

46.5(3) Preregistration grace period.

a. *Dealer purchases.* An unregistered all-terrain vehicle or off-road motorcycle sold by a dealer to an Iowa resident for use in Iowa shall bear a card made of pasteboard or other similar material that includes the words “registration applied for” and the date of purchase. Such card shall entitle the purchaser to operate the all-terrain vehicle or off-road motorcycle for 45 days immediately following the purchase. The purchaser shall place this card on the rear of the all-terrain vehicle and the steering yoke of an off-road motorcycle in a position so as to be clearly visible at all times and maintained in a legible manner. The operator of any all-terrain vehicle or off-road motorcycle displaying a “registration applied for” card described in this paragraph shall carry and provide upon request to any peace officer a valid bill of sale for the all-terrain vehicle or off-road motorcycle.

b. *Nondealer purchases.* All-terrain vehicles and off-road motorcycles may be sold by nondealers, and the registration grace period may apply depending on the current registration of the vehicle.

(1) An all-terrain vehicle or off-road motorcycle that is currently registered in the state of Iowa may be legally operated for 30 days before it is registered under the purchaser’s name.

(2) An all-terrain vehicle or off-road motorcycle not currently registered in the state of Iowa shall not be operated until it is titled and registered in the purchaser’s name. Valid registration in another state does not authorize preregistration operation.

46.5(4) Registration—renewals. Every all-terrain vehicle and off-road motorcycle registration certificate and registration decal expires at midnight December 31 of the year issued or at the time specified on the registration decal. Applications for renewal shall be completed pursuant to Iowa Code section 321I.7.